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Two days' casual leave and 11 holidays from 8-5-1109 to 23-5-1109.
One day's casual leave and one holiday from 21-6-1109 to 23-6-1109.
One day's casual leave and two holidays from 1-8-1109 to 4-8-1109.

Smell of rotten fish in Alleppey.

48. MR. K. PADMANABHA PANICKAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it has come to their notice that the Municipal town of Alleppey was contaminated with foul and offensive smell due to the rotting of fish on the coast during the past few months and

(*b*) whether any action has been taken by the Alleppey Municipality to remedy this evil.

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI: (*a*) It has now been brought to the notice of Government by the Municipal President, Alleppey, that a foul smell was prevalent in the beach portion of the town for two or three days towards the end of October 1933 due to the boiling of fish for making fish oil by some unauthorised people.

(*b*) Yes.

DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANT—(*contd.*)

Discussion on Public Service Recruitment Committee Report.

PRESIDENT: The House will now resume the discussion on grant No. 3 which has already been moved yesterday.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: Sir, the House is now called upon to make their observations and suggestions with regard to the report of the Public Service Recruitment Committee. Sir, it is very gratifying to find from the mover of the demand that the Government keeps an open mind with regard to this question and they have not considered the questions one way or the other and the opinions and suggestions put forward in this House will be duly considered when the Government take up the question to decide it one way or the other. At the same time, Sir, I must admit at the very outset that it is with a bit of disgust that I propose to consider the report of this committee because the same question considered by this committee has been considered by the several members of the legislature, and this House has been made the arena for fighting out this dirty question of communal representation in the public service of the State. The committee also more or less followed those arguments advanced on those occasions and repeated a hundred timees afterward and I regret very much to state that the committee did not bestow any independent thought on the question referred to it. At the same time, Sir, it deserves my thanks for having produced such a very brief report, which according to me, contains 31 pages in Chapter II with which alone we are concerned. Chapter II is of course an

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